

The Shakerite

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Six of Shaker's new teachers greet the camera. Left to right are Mr. Theodore Buergler, Mr. Kenneth Mowry, Dr. Kathryn Utz, Mrs. Louise Keating, Mr. John Newman, and Mr. James Bristol.

Nine Teachers Arrive to Join Enrollment of Larger Shaker

Not to be outdone by the students with their increased enrollment, the faculty of Shaker did quite a bit of expanding of its own. Almost every department received at least one of the nine new members.

To help the Physical Education Department "carry the ball" are I. J. Sanna and Miss Lucille Burkett. Mr. Sanna, a former Shaker student, is a graduate of Miami University in Oxford and Kent University. Unfortunately for all girls who might consider Mr. Sanna dream material, he is married and about to become a father for the second time.

Miss Burkett, taking Miss Helen Komp's place, is a graduate of Ohio State where she has taught for several years. Thus far she finds Shaker a good place to be.

Miss Kathryn Utz and Mrs. Louise Keating are newly arrived to help Shakerites improve their grammar. Besides teaching English Miss Utz has taken over Mrs. Alice Davis's place as Shakerite advisor. She attended Capital University and Ohio State where she taught for several years while completing a Ph. D. degree in English.

Mrs. Keating is no newcomer to Shaker as she has held positions in some of the elementary schools. Hailing from Youngstown, she went to the College of New Rochelle and also Stanford.

Shaker's newest answer to a geometry problem is James Bristol. Although a New Yorker by birth, Mr. Bristol received most of his schooling here in Ohio. He obtained his B. A. at Hiram College and his M. A. at Western Reserve. Mr. Bristol is a family man also, with three children.

Those delicious smells issuing from the first floor are a result of Mrs. Sara Brammer's home ec classes. Mrs. Brammer, a graduate of Indiana University and Western Reserve, came to Shaker from the county school system.

A boon to the Science Department are Kenneth Mowry and Theodore Buergler. Mr. Mowry, of chemistry, received his B. S. at the State Teachers' College in Indiana, Pennsylvania, and his M. S. at Cornell. If he seems a bit hard it's only because he's used to the type of work he received at St. Bonaventure. He too is married and has two children.

Mr. Buergler, teaching chemistry and biology, attended Western Reserve, Baldwin-Wallace, and the University of Michigan. Although he isn't married, he soon will be.

Last but not least is John Newman who teaches history. He received his training at the University of Pittsburgh and Western Re-

serve. Mr. Newman, who is married and has a daughter, came to Shaker from Maple Heights.

Melinda Shuster

Russell Rupp Visits Germany; Holds Army Football Clinic

After having visited Japan last summer, Russell H. Rupp, principal, again headed for strange places with strange sounding names this year and visited Germany under the auspices of the Special Services of the United States Army. Mr. Rupp, together with one other football official and six coaches, held a football clinic for coaches and football officials from all over the European Command. Men from Germany, England, Italy, Africa and from all branches of the Army attended the clinic, which was held at Garmisch, Germany.

Crosby Organizes Speech Workshop

This year students chosen because of their outstanding work in speech or drama will be given an opportunity to improve their talents in the Workshop in Speech and Dramatics, organized for the first time by Mr. Robert Crosby.

Members of the Workshop will participate in P. A. announcements and special P. A. programs, in one-act plays, and in the major productions of the Drama Department. If they wish to they may also take part in activities such as extempore speaking; discussions; debate; dramatic, humorous, and oratorical declamation; original oratory; radio announcing; poetry reading; and one-act play festivals.

The Workshop in Speech and Dramatics will meet every day during fourth period and will work on whatever phases of speech and drama the members are interested in. Anyone who has a fourth period study hall and would like to join the workshop should see Mr. Crosby.

Hi-Y Gives Annual Fall Ball; First Dance of School Year

The time of year has come when the fellows show what they can do without any help from the distaff side. Yes, the annual Hi-Y Fall Ball is almost here. Sept. 27 has been chosen as the date for the big event. It seems that the boys are really doing it up right, for Les Elgin and his band will be on hand to play sweet music from eight to twelve in the girls' gym.

New Booster Club Guards Everything

Shakerites! A new regime is in effect! This year there will be a new order in the school. A reorganized Booster force under the direction of Vice-president Earl Biederman has taken over the job of guarding the halls. Boosters will be on duty every period to keep the halls quiet, direct strangers to the school, and be of service to teachers and visitors. At the close of each period the force will work at the stairs to see that no one goes up the "down" stairs or down the "up" stairs until the tardy bell has rung. There will be Boosters in the cafeteria, by the lunch lines, in the parking lot, and in the Elbow Room. All the girls should check their purses with the Booster on duty there. During the lunch periods no more than two students will be allowed through the halls at one time. Demerits will be issued to any offenders.

The new Booster force wants to make Shaker a pleasant place to work. They hope that all the students will cooperate with them in this effort.

John Beltz is dance chairman and judging by the fellows heading his committees, it should be a tremendous success. George Walsh is handling publicity and Bill Freund has charge of tickets. Richard Hall and Dick Clokey are having quite a time deciding what refreshments will be sold, and Bill Atkinson and Harvey Mierke are taking care of that big job of decorating.

You sophomores are really getting a break this time! Admission for you is 50 cents. The upperclassmen will pay the usual \$1.25, stag or couple.

This is the first real dressy dance of the season and all you guys should have your dates by now, but if not, there is still time, for a wonderful time awaits you. Remember, it's the Hi-Y Fall Ball, Sept. 27, from eight to twelve in the girls' gym.

Art Exhibit In Ely Gallery

Did you ever draw with a fine pointed brush? What kind of a line will a very soft lead pencil make? How does a Chinese artist make a shorthand drawing of something he sees?

These questions are answered by taking a long look at the new exhibition of drawings in the Ely Gallery on the main floor. They were assembled by the Educational Lending Department of the Cleveland Museum of Art and show how artists use all kinds of lines to tell their story.

This exhibit is of particular interest to the students in the art classes who have tried many of the techniques included in the exhibit and a few others besides. Last spring they did some quick figure sketches using the blunt end of a wooden match stick dipped in India ink. Some of the results, to quote a class member, were "tremendous."

Two reproductions of paintings are hung on the walls near the center door. These demonstrate the use of lines with the addition of solid areas of paint.

Grab Bag Is Open; Hundred to Spare

Shaker gals no longer have an excuse for not grabbing a man; latest figures, stealthily microfilmed from the principal's desk, reveal that the boys outnumber the girls by a huge 510 to 413 margin. In case you're slow on mental arithmetic, this means that the total population numbers 923, 36 over last year's 887.

Senior girls have the best ratio (at least those who are looking for senior boys do). The senior class has 162 boys and only 118 girls. Totaling 280, this is the smallest class in the school. The juniors, a class of 335 (185 boys, 150 girls), are the largest class this side of the junior high. The sophomores are just in the middle as far as size goes: 163 boys, 145 girls, 308 total. It seems as if the girls should do well enough. Good hunting, guys!

Crime Committee Cleans Up School

Habitual "earners" of numerous demerits will be surprised this year to discover that the school has a new organization to handle them, the Demerit Panel. Organized by last year's Civics Committee to help out the Deans, it is composed of a boy and a girl from each class and is headed by the Student Council vice-president. Members are chosen for their leadership, scholarship and fairness. Led by Chairman Earl Biederman, this year's members are Nora Richmond and Jim Grossman, seniors; Barbara Reese and Jack Kovach, juniors; and two sophomores to be selected soon.

When a student receives ten demerits, he is not automatically suspended, but his case comes before the Panel, who may recommend that instead he work off his demerits during his study halls as an office secretary or a helper in gym class. Whatever is decided is done without prejudice and for the good of the school.

Most school activities will receive new members after next week's club assembly. However, the Shakerite will not accept more students until mid-year.



What could this table of senior boys possibly be looking at? For answer see picture on page three.

Pat Bidle

President's Message

I would like to welcome all of you back to school from what I hope was a very enjoyable summer. Special welcome goes to the sophomores and newcomers who I hope will enjoy their stay here.

There are many things to be done in the coming year. Our social program is the largest and best ever, and we of the Student Council are expecting a great year for Shaker.

There is one thing you must always remember. You, as a part of this school, will have your job to do, the job of cooperating with one another. We must work together and not apart; the future of Shaker Senior High School depends on you, the student body and faculty. Let's get together and show everybody what a really great school Shaker is!

Howard Nudelman

Blessed Event as Older Girls Get New Little Sisters

Little lost sophomores are no more. The big sisters have come and stretched out a helping hand to all sophomore and new girls. Big sisters began organizing last June, with Miss Young as advisor. Over the summer, big sisters received cards naming their little sisters. Pat Drechsel, Karen Black, Sally Cowan and Sue Bedell were in charge of assigning, which they tried to do according to neighborhoods.

Many big sisters took their little sisters to lunch over the summer. Big sisters are girls from the junior and senior classes who signed up last year, and were approved by Miss Hollon. A few of the girls, under the general chairmanship of Betty Lou Nitchie, planned the program for the year, the first social event of which was a coke party in the court on Saturday, Sept. 6. Heather McGill did her Efficiency routine, Joan Icove sang two songs, and seniors Eileen Flaherty, Nancy Bryan, Betsy Ross, Judy Sturgis, Janet Peters, Robin Carter, Mary Althans, Betsy Levy, Betty Lou Nitchie, Kitsy Barber, Pat Drechsel, with Joan's help, sang an original song, written by Phyllis Hersh, who also led community singing.

Teachers Revel in Redecorated Lounges

Have you noticed that gleam in your teachers' eyes lately? It's a gleam of satisfaction because the latest improvements around the high school are the redecorated teachers' lounges. The soft green of the walls and the colorful drapes help provide a quiet, attractive oasis where faculty members can relax from the noise and confusion of the halls and classrooms.

The cost of the new furnishings was shared by the P. T. A. and the Board of Education. Decorative know-how was provided by Mrs. Dorothy Carney, a professional interior decorator and mother of Pete Carney, a junior.

Mrs. Carney should receive an award for "Shaker's outstanding mother," for she not only runs a home and business but she has left her professional touch at each school her sons have attended.

A great big thank-you to Mrs. Carney from the faculty of Shaker High for a job well done!

The new lounges can be viewed by parents at the first open house on Oct. 8.

Ann Ferguson

Combined Choirs Plan Active Year

The big project of the combined choirs of Shaker Senior High is the presentation of Handel's *Messiah* on Sunday, Dec. 14, with outside soloists. No other high school in the vicinity has ever performed this famous and difficult oratorio.

This year the two choirs are meeting the first and third periods of each day. The first-period choir will sing at the annual Lake Erie League Festival on March 17 at Euclid High School.

As in the past, Shaker will have a *Bobby Sox Review* in late February or early March, presented by the third-period choir.

Both choirs will participate in the annual concert which will be held sometime in April. The first-period choir also plans a Broadway musical, to be given May 15-16. Three shows are now under consideration. The one chosen will be announced at a later date.

If all goes well, the choirs should move out of their crowded quarters and into the new music wing sometime during the spring vacation.

The new wing for vocal music will consist of a large choral room, practice rooms, a music library, offices, and a large amount of storage space.

This new wing is ultramodern and the choirs are very proud to be a part of it. Let's show them we appreciate the hard work they will be doing in the coming year and support all their projects.

Activity Card Sale Shows School Spirit

Shaker students this year gave proof of better-than-ever school spirit when 93% of them bought activity tickets to run the total number of cards sold to 859.

The sale brought in \$3436 which will be divided in five ways: \$2405.20 will go to the athletic fund, \$644.25 to the *Shakerite*, \$85.90 to the Student Council, \$85.90 to the assembly fund, and \$214.75 will be divided among the classes, with \$75.50 going to the tenth grade, \$75.50 to the eleventh, and \$63.75 to the twelfth.

A big sale of tickets means a better *Shakerite*, student council, and assembly fund.

Vacation Reminders

Seniors Sigh, Reminisce

Amidst the conversations of the seniors about the coming football season, dates, the new sophomores, and homework, many summer experiences are still being related to interested listeners.

It seems as though camp was a favorite summer pastime, for Ruth Pomeranz spent eight weeks as a Junior Counselor at Camp Wabicon in Southern Ontario, while Robin Carter and Barbara Larson vacationed in Green Lake, Wisconsin, for one month.

New York City claimed a large share of Shakerites as visitors, including Ed Berger who added to his collection of Broadway hit programs from *Wish You Were Here* and *New Faces*.

Beautiful Nantucket Island called Joan Finney and her family for a three-week vacation. Next summer, Joan, how about taking a few extra passengers?

Social activities in connection with the Culver Military School commencement were enjoyed by three senior girls, Nancy Bryan, Mary Althans, and Janet Peters.

Tom Hayes could have been found in a canoe many times this summer, for he spent his vacation on canoe trips with Mr. Stark.

One of the most exciting and long-remembered summer vacations was that of Fred and Joanne Janney. The Janney family spent six weeks in Europe, touring such exciting countries as France (Paris!), Holland and England.

Back in our great city of Cleveland could be found Roy Sauret, working industriously in a steel factory, while Jerry Lewis and Bill

Betty Lou and Robin

Editors at Work

Dick, Tom, Dave

"The hardest working bunch in the school"—just ask any member of the *Shakerite* staff; they will tell you what a tough life they had, trying to meet deadlines, getting headlines written, and running around the school trying to get enough words to fill four big pages. With **Dick Brandes**, **Betty Lou Nitchie**, and **Robin Carter** as editors, the first three pages should be brighter than ever. In spite of the little "disagreements" among the editors, there should be eight or ten *Shakerites* published this year. **Tom Gelehrter** holds up the position of sports editor. His back page promises the latest tips on the Red Raiders in all fields. Dashing **Dave Demson** is the boy in charge of getting all advertising matter for this journal. If there are any complaints, see one of them. Also, constructive criticism is requested at all times.



SHAKERITE staff: left to right are Dick Brandes, editor; Robin Carter, editor; Dave Demson, business manager; Betty Lou Nitchie, editor; Tom Gelehrter, sports editor.

Mail Call

Shakerite Has Social Problems

Dear Editor,

This girl has a bone to pick! One day recently, while looking over Shaker's campus with Lysander, my boy friend, I discovered some slightly startling things. We were walking along, just minding everybody's business, when Lysander, his name is John but everyone calls him Lysander for short, stopped suddenly. There, looming down in front of us, it was. Bricks and asphalt was neatly scattered everywhere and men were scurrying around like turtles. So, in his very brilliant way, he says, "What is it?"

"The new wings have been started," I says. Lysander just didn't understand. I guess it looked more like something had been finished. "Wings," I repetitioned, "as in angels!"

Then he pops up real literate like with, "Well, it takes me back to the day after the last day of Pompeii."

I was fumigated. "Why Lysander Rinkleschnitz! How can you stand there and criticize our school. We're privileged to get these wings."

Lysander just stared. He said he'd seen better looking things on television.

Well, sir, that pile of rocks has torn Lysander Rinkleschnitz away from me. He wasn't much, but he wore pants. The new social wing's a great idea, but, without Lysander, I won't have anyone to be sociable with.

A. Z.

P. S.: Please accuse my English and spelling. It's a wander I ever get by.

Central Committee Elects Officers

At a recent meeting of the Central Committee, steering group of the Honor Study Hall system, officers were elected. They are as follows: **Dick Brandes**, president; **Lois Jaskulek**, vice-president; **Eileen Flaherty**, secretary; **Roger Samet**, council representative; **Steve Lampl**, alternate; **Nancy Whanger**, sergeant-at-arms.

The duties of the committee are to choose advisors, and be the executive council.

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RED RAIDERS DEFEAT SOUTH FLYERS 38-6



THE BRAINS . . .

Track Meet Heads Fall Intramurals

The boys' intramural program has been changed this year. The big event of this fall will be a track meet open to all boys, except numeral and varsity letter winners. Basic track fundamentals will be stressed in the physical education classes during the first few weeks of school. This event is new to Shakerites, but perhaps track coach Bob Rice can discover another Temp Lowry.

The game of football will be absent from the docket this fall, as a switch is being made to a new game called speedball. The coaches say that speedball is a combination of soccer, football, and basketball. This all ought to add up to a lot of fun—and confusion!

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Co-captains for tonight's game are halfback George King and fullback Ronnie Berger. New co-captains are picked for each game by Coach Halderman. Captains in the South game were DeMartinis and Weiss.

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Shaker Runs Up Six-Touchdown Lead On Powerful Running and Passing

Last Saturday afternoon, with the temperature in the high 90's, Shaker's Red Raiders opened the 1952 season by walloping South to the tune of 38-6! It was all Shaker, as the Red and White rolled up 19 first downs to the Flyers' 7, and amassed 402 yards, 286 by rushing. Within two minutes of Noel Slagle's long opening kick-off, co-captain Matt DeMartinis plowed 26 yards through the center of the line to pay dirt. In the first half alone he gained 126 yards on seven plays. Five minutes later, half-back George King plunged into the end zone from one yard out to culminate a 43-yard drive. In the second period after DeMartinis gained 31 yards on two plays and Mike Brown 24 more on a quarterback sneak and a pass to Earl Biederman, Ron Berger tallied from the 1-yard line on an end sweep. On the first play of the second half, Stan Palevsky squirmed and dodged 52 yards for a TD with a sensational show of broken field running that brought the partisan crowd to its feet.

Tennis and Cross-Country Get Under Way

Opening this year's fall tennis season, Shaker met its traditional rival, Lakewood, on Lakewood courts, Sept. 11. Although this all-important match was played away, the team met Elyria and Shaw on our home courts, Sept. 16 and 18, respectively. Matches with the other Lake Erie League teams are played later in the season.

Within the team, first singles position is disputed between Jay Davis, Buzz Althans, and Steve Lampl, while Jeremy Herman and Harry Lehman battle it out with Roger Samet and Jack Goodman for the first doubles spot. Coach John Harbourt believes that the team has great possibilities in L. E. L. play this year.

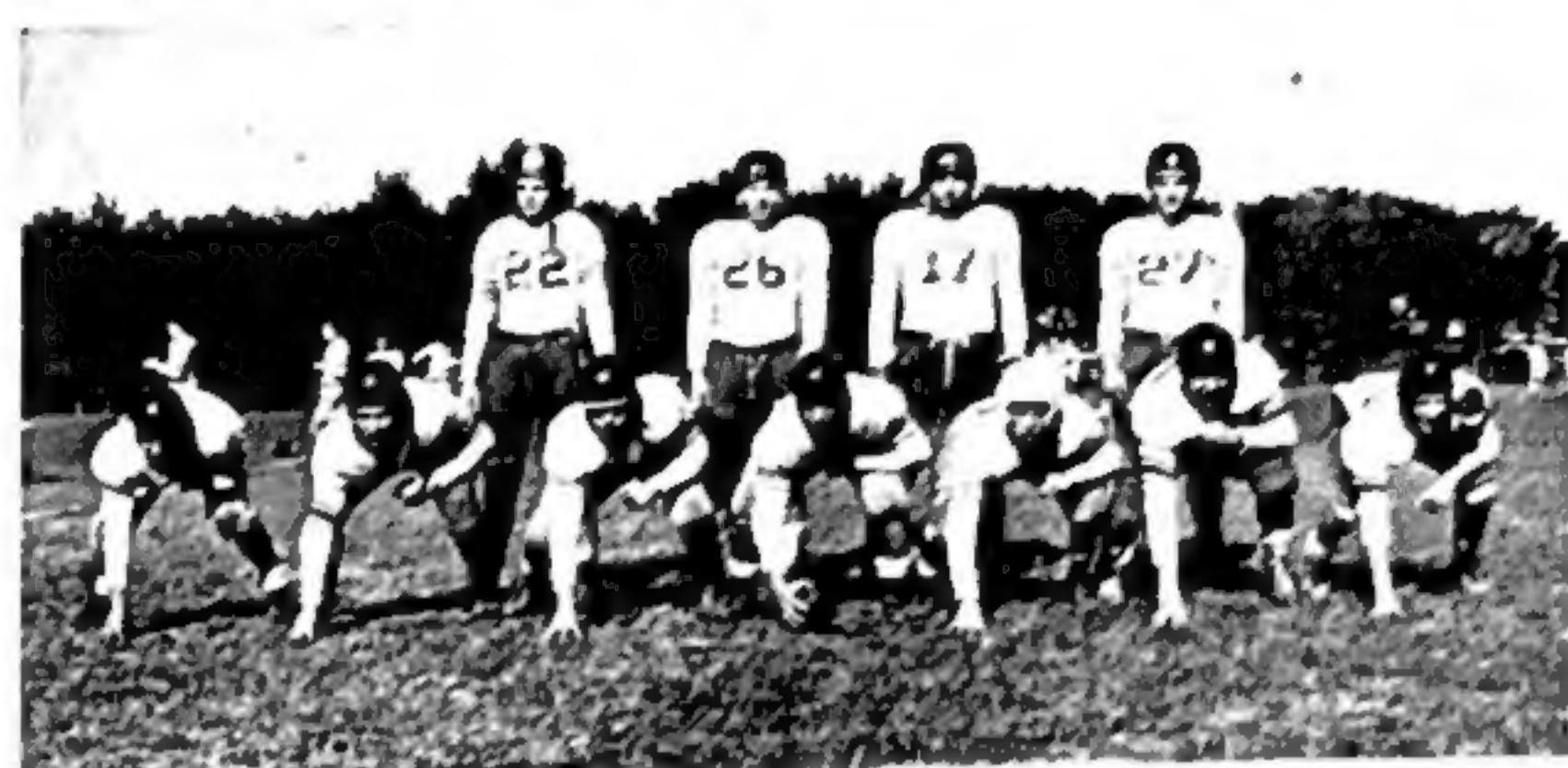
On the track scene for this season Shaker's cross-country team is organized and ready to begin the fall schedule. Back from last year are two lettermen, Dick Clokey, Tom Friedman, both juniors, and Paul Cassel who will manage the team. Track lettermen on this year's team are Craig McArt, Jerry Lewis, Fred Janney, Bill Freund, and Bob Cashen.

Shaker's next home game is on Saturday, Sept. 27, at 2:30, when the Red Raiders meet the Lorain Steelmen in the first L.E.L. game of the season. Last year the Steelmen tripped Shaker 20-19.

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. . . and the Brawn of Shaker Football

Aerial Circus to Carry Attack

The 1952 season shapes up to be the best year since Coach Halderman's debut and the L. E. L. crown in 1949. The squad is big, experienced, and will show a great passing and running attack. The Red Raiders will show their fans an aerial circus, a la S. M. U., with Mike Brown at the helm filling the air with flying pigskin. Running from the fullback slot of the "T" will be veteran Matt DeMartinis, a powerful, fast, elusive ball carrier and a good prospect for All-L. E. L. The halfbacks will be Grossman and King. At the ends will be Earl Biederman and Paul Balazs. There's no lack of size at the tackle positions with Jeff Bard, Bob Wheeler, and Noel Slagle weighing in at a total of about 650 pounds. At the guard posts, veterans Gene Weiss and Larry Klein will be joined by two hard-hitting juniors, Nick and Pete Leone. Anchoring the line will be Dick Triggs at center.

The Raiders opened training on Aug. 20 with 98 boys turning out for this campaign. Two scrimmages were held against Brush and Orange, and the team looked pretty good. Even Coach Halderman, who in the tradition of all good football mentors is an autumn pessimist, managed to say that his boys looked "respectable." Another good sign was that Bill Levy (the young man who never can seem to pick the winner of the Shaker-Heights clash) admits that Shaker should have one of its best teams of the past five or six years.

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